By Pam Haynes
Editor in chief

The celebration of Black History Month began at the university on Feb. 7 in what Black Cultural Awareness (BCA) leaders referred to as "a regular sit-down and chat session" on HIV and AIDS, the top causes of death in African Americans between the ages of 25 and 44.

In Lecture Room B of Smith Library, eight African-American students attended the BCA event. Tania Strickland, a health educator from the Triad Health Project, visited campus to discuss this sexually transmitted virus which is prevalent in Guilford County. "Guilford County is in the top ten list of places in North Carolina that have the highest amount of diagnosed HIV cases," explained Strickland. She also explained that there are more cases of HIV found in African American women than in African American men or Caucasian females.

"HIV has a new face," she said as she scanned the females in the audience. "And it's our face, ladies."

"I'm going to use real terms here," said Strickland as she passed around several contraceptive methods for students to see, including male and female condoms. "You can ask me anything," she continued. She also held a condom demonstration to ensure that students in the room knew how to use a condom properly.

By the end of the session, any tension and embarrassment had worn off as students openly asked questions to Strickland, who responded with openness and truthful answers. Strickland was so pleased with the event that he hopes to plan an HIV testing day in March and invite Strickland back to speak at this event as well.

According to Mrs. Lanita Williams, BCA faculty advisor and director of circulation services in Smith Library, the only drawback of the event was the small number of participants. "I believe it would have been very beneficial for other students to have heard," she said. "There is still so much misconception about HIV and AIDS, and I think it is important to inform our students."

Black History Month events continued on Feb. 11 for Williams when she attended the 48th Anniversary of the Woolworth Sit-ins on South Wrenn Street. This location, the site of the original Woolworth Dime Store, is where the Woolworth Dime Store stood in 1960. It was there that a national sit-in movement began, leading to the removal of all segregated lunch counters on March 2, 1960.

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On the Run: What's New

HPU installs emergency text messaging alert system

A text messaging service has been installed by the Information Technology Department in order to issue special alerts to students and faculty.

The system was installed in light of events such as the Virginia Tech shootings. The university is taking these precautions as an effort to keep students on the HPU campus safe. Class cancellations due to inclement weather will also be sent through the service.

Students must enroll their cell phone numbers in order to receive messages from the university. A violation of the sign-up process can be found by logging into the Blackboard community at http://community.highpoint.edu.

Text messages from the university are free of charge. If any student is charged by his or her phone company for a message, the university will provide reimbursement.

Steve Forbes to speak in Hayworth Fine Arts Center

Steve Forbes, president and CEO of Forbes Inc. and editor in chief of Forbes Magazine, will speak to students, faculty, and staff on March 12 at 7 p.m. in the Pauline Theatre of the Hayworth Fine Arts Center.

Forbes Magazine has a circulation of over 900,000 readers. Since Forbes assumed his position in 1990, a variety of new publications has been launched pertaining to the business industry. The company’s website, www.Forbes.com, also attracts over 7,000,000 guests each month.

National Honor Society Chapter granted to HPU

The chapter of Theta Alpha Kappa, the National Honor Society for Religious Studies and Theology, has been granted to the university. Established in 1976, the chapter provides national recognition and opportunities to receive awards and scholarships for religion majors.

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Straight Talk From Dr. Nido Qubein
Six steps to effective decision making

If they even knew it was Black History Month," said Garrard. "Some either didn't realize that it was or thought that Black History Month was actually in March.

Another event that students missed out on was the Woolworth Sit-ins Memorial held on Feb. 11 in front of the Radisson Hotel. Gathered there were members from the community and original participants from the Woolworth Sit-ins in 1958.

At the time, these participants were high school students who were brave enough to sit in silent protest at an all-white lunch counter in the Woolworth Dime Store. The only member of the HPU community in attendance was Mrs. Lurita Williams, faculty adviser for BCA and director of circulation services in Smith Library.

But luckily, the celebration isn't over yet. BCA has two more events planned for Feb. 24 and 28 which Garrard hopes more people will attend. "I don't believe that HPU is doing enough to celebrate Black History Month," Garrard said. "We are now working with Hillary Cole, director of student activities, to put up posters around campus and help promote Black History Month and the BCA program.

Staff Editorial

Lecture Room II of Smith Library may not be the size of an auditorium, but there were plenty of seats left in the room during the Black Cultural Awareness-sponsored guest lecture that addressed HIV and AIDS in the African-American community as part of Black History Month.

On that night students attended the event. But it wasn't a boring, rigid lecture on why you shouldn't have sex. It was more like a straight-forward conversation between friends on the topics of sex, protection, and HIV and AIDS, except the person that students were talking to was Tania Strickland, an official health educator for the Triad Health Project.

Strickland used no big terms. She wasn't embarrassed, and she told students what they needed to know. This is why it was such a shame to only have eight students in attendance when Strickland touched on topics that an entire university of students, who are usually too embarrassed to ask specific questions about sex, desperately needed to hear.

Before this event, Henry Garrard, BCA president, already knew that many students at the university either didn't know that it was Black History Month or were not actively celebrating it.

"Last week, a BCA member went out and asked random individuals if they had celebrated Black History Month," said Garrard. "Some either didn't realize that it was or thought that Black History Month was actually in March.

Step 1: Identify the Issue. You either accomplished what you set out to accomplish or you fell short. List all the issues you need to address to move to your next goal, then narrow it down to the issue that must be addressed before you can take the next step. Make that your next issue.

Step 2: Analyze the Issue. Look at the issue from all angles. Why is it necessary to make a decision on this issue? What will happen if you don't? What do you want to happen as a result of the decision? What stands in the way of making this happen? List the obstacles that must be overcome as a result of the decision. Rank obstacles in the order in which they must be overcome.

Step 3: Generate Alternatives. Take obstacles one at a time and list possible ways to remove them. Rely on your experience, the experience of others and your imagination.

Step 4: Select a Specific Alternative. Take the short list and decide which criteria will be used to select the best decision. Will it be the one that requires the least amount of time? Money? Effort? Analyze the alternatives in light of your criteria and choose the one that most closely matches them. Describe the actions you must take to implement the decision and the results you expect to accomplish as a result.

Step 5: Implement the Decision. Execute the actions you described in step four.

Step 6: Evaluate the Results. After executing the decision, examine results in light of your expectations. Did the decision accomplish what you wanted it to accomplish? If so, mark it accomplished and move on to the next issue. If not, repeat the process, starting with Step 1. Obviously, decisions made based on this system are not made haphazardly. If you follow these procedures, you will continually learn from your mistakes and build on your successes. At High Point University, we try to show you that the path to your vision will be well marked and well illuminated if you open your mind to the wisdom around you.

WE LOVE YOU and THANK GOD FOR YOU.

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Political correctness: the gift that keeps on giving

John Winn
Opinion Editor

Someone once said, if you can’t say anything nice about someone, don’t say it at all. Those are wise words to live by, but they make for terrible public policy, at least so far as political correctness goes. Since the civil rights era of the 1960s there have been efforts by activists, politicians and other do-gooders to curtail speech or actions made in principle, such as hate speech, catcalls and homophobic slurs. Yet in their haste to clean up the environment, these individuals have created an atmosphere in which in purporting to favor free speech, actually curtails it, at least the legitimate kind.

That’s not to say that these academics and intellectuals are bad or that their cause has no meaning. However, in their zeal, many of these well-intended members of society have resorted to tactics of intimidation and suppression that not only ruin reputations and create friction, but also make it impossible for America to have the kind of dialogue that will help it move forward and create a society that truly benefits us all.

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American politics discuss sensitive issues like race, almost to a fault, some would say, and it affects us in more concrete ways as well. After the Duke lacrosse incident two years ago, a torrent of civil rights activists, feminists and liberal intellectuals descended on the Duke University campus to condemn the three falsely accused players and the school as a whole. But what a what one woman said was a “social disaster” that encouraged racism and discrimination in the community, etc., etc. She was the government wanted to suppress hate speech, which it can’t, according to a landmark ruling, which states, it would be a logistical and political nightmare for law enforcement. Such remarks are disturbing, not only because they omit the First Amendment from the conversation, but also because they endorse a liberal version of fascism that is little more than a thinly-veiled dictatorship. One can only expect such comments to come from right-wing commentators like Rush Limbaugh or Bill O’Reilly, but the fact they came from a respected liberal is disheartening. Although it is a fact that political correctness has affected the way Americans discuss sensitive issues like race, almost to a fault, some would say, and it affects us in more concrete ways as well. After the Duke lacrosse incident two years ago, a torrent of civil rights activists, feminists and liberal intellectuals descended on the Duke University campus to condemn the three falsely accused players and the school as a whole.

President McCain is the most appealing. Clinton and Obama are clearly acceptable of the contenders. Here’s why.

By Justina Reinold
Staff Writer

Over the years I have learned how important it is to express what is going on in the world and the positive outcomes that knowledge can bring.

When I was growing up in Burlington, Mass., my father stressed the importance of reading. Reading was never a hobby of mine because I felt there were much more exciting things I could have been doing with my time. Like many of us, I was not interested in much outside of my neighborhood and my high school.

There were times before school where my father had me sit at the kitchen table and wash dishes. He thought it was supposed to be beneficial. The subjects ranged from international news to business and sports. But I had read anything about football actually enjoying it because I was able to carry on a conversation with people other than just my peers.

The transition from high school to college was the freedom I had been waiting for, but in some ways, I was far from home forced me to take care of myself and make my own decisions. At the start of college, I found myself confused to the High Point University campus and distracted from the real world. I could tell you where the party was on the weekend and when the next basketball game was, but that was the extent of my knowledge.

Recently I received my daily phone call from my father. He asked if I had read anything about the news, even the interest in knowing what is going on around the world. If we can find it in our culture to express or even discuss these social issues and listen to different points of view then we can learn how our world functions in a society where we have to make decisions for the common good.

Mrs Fuller: an HPU employee gone but not forgotten

By Katie Nelson
Staff Writer

We here at High Point University are blessed to have a wonderful faculty and staff working to make our lives more enjoyable. This is especially true for our cafeteria staff. They come to work every day to prepare our meals, some in the kitchen, and others right in front of us, making the food by hand. One of the people who cooked food for each person individual was Stoncé Fuller. She was the lady who would make each student a personalized omelet. Sadly, Mrs. Fuller died from the effects of a stroke early on the morning of Jan. 29. She was 57. Her funeral was held in Wallace, S.C., where many of her family members live. Her viewing was in High Point.

I attended her viewing on Feb. 1 with a couple of my friends. Mrs. Fuller looked beautiful and at rest, in her white dress, gloves and pink jewelry. Even though we attended at a time most people would be at work, High Point University campus enhancement members were there, paying their respects to Mrs. Fuller.

There were several bouquets of flowers sent from the University, Dr. Qubein and ARAMARK, the company which provides our food. High Point University was a substantial part of Mrs. Fuller’s life. Not only did she work here for over 18 years, but her daughter Barbara and granddaughter Ashlie, are also on staff here.

Mrs. Fuller was described as being a “great friend and co-worker” by many staff members. She was a cheery individual who would always enjoy conversation with a student. However, she was someone who would not have the knowledge or even the interest in knowing what is going on around the world. If we can find it in our culture to express or even discuss these social issues and listen to different points of view then we can learn how our world functions in a society where we have to make decisions for the common good.

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By Lauren Croughan
Staff Writer

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Student Help Wanted!!
Student Managing Editor
For a Scholarly Journal

High Point University's English Department will become the home of a scholarly journal, Studies in American Humor, the official publication of the American Humor Studies Association, in the fall of 2008.

The journal is seeking a rising junior who can assume the responsibilities of a primary editorial assistant for a two-year appointment. If a well-qualified junior is not found, a well-qualified rising senior will be considered.

The candidate should be able to help the editor prepare manuscripts for publication, proofread copy, and see the manuscripts through the production and printing process. Additional responsibilities include fact-checking and conducting research assignments. Strong skills in composition and communication are essential along with working knowledge of an Apple Macintosh word processor and Creative Suite Design Premium Software.

The student should be in a position to make a two-year commitment to the job, which will require 8 hours a week during the regular school year @ $10 per hour. The experience will be a valuable addition to a job resume.

Submit a letter of application outlining your experience and a resume to:

Dr. Ed Piacentino, Editor, Studies in American Humor, Department of English, High Point University, 833 Montlieu Ave., High Point, NC 27262. Or send your letter as an e-mail attachment to epiacente@highpoint.edu. The deadline is March 31, 2008.

Word on the Street

With High Point University's physical and academic expansion, another increase is in the making. Tuition will rise next semester from approximately $28,000 to $31,000, depending on which rooming option you choose, for all full-time day students who live on campus. Current day students were asked what they thought about this increase and why.

Kristina Hardy, Sophomore

"I definitely understand the need for a tuition increase with the expansion and all of the new freshmen, but I would like to keep paying the same amount as when I came as a freshman. That's the amount I planned on paying."

Josh Fox, Junior

"When you look at the cost of other private schools in the area, it's just a dollar amount. In the end, I think that education is invaluable."

Apology:

It has come to my attention that an article that appeared in the Campus Chronicle's January '08 issue referred to a YouTube.com video where I made a critical comment about a High Point student's behavior at a varsity athletic event. While I stand by my claim that this video was indicative of gross disrespectful conduct, I did not intend to draw attention to my comment through the Campus Chronicle. I apologize for the mistake.

-Mike Nuckles, Sports Editor

Shootings at NIU cause terror in Illinois native

By Mike Nuckles
Sports Editor

It was 4:30 on a Thursday afternoon, and I had just spoken on the phone with my mother, who had been wishing me a Happy Valentine's Day. I went to the common room to watch TV with my roommate, whenMom called me back. This call was not nearly as light and carefree.

"Did you hear the news?" she said. I told her I had no idea. What she told me next nearly knocked me off my feet: "There has been a shooting at NIU."

Was this a sick joke? No, it was Valentine's Day, not April Fool's. There was nothing funny about a gunman, clad in black, walking into a crowded lecture hall, and killing five students at my hometown university.

Terror and panic struck me. My first instinct was to alert my girlfriend, Allison, who was in class at Bradley University at the time. She needed to know that her mother - an IT professional at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb - was safe. After a half-hour that seemed like days, Allison called me back to let me know that she had been able to get in touch with her mother, and that she was on the opposite side of campus when the shootings took place.

Then panic number two set in: I had dozens and dozens of friends, some of whom I had known since we were toddlers, who went to Northern. On top of that, since my sister is a 2007 alumna of NIU, nearly all of her closest friends could very well have been involved in the massacre. I stopped writing the Campus Chronicle article I had been working on, and planted myself anxiously between my laptop and the TV, switching off between Facebook and news sites, hoping for any chance of making sure my friends were OK and clicking between the five news channels, none of which had any unique coverage.

As the day went on, the casualty count slowly went up from two injuries and one death to 17 injuries and six fatalities. Each time more news came over the wire, my heart sank a little to realize that this most recent death might be one of my best and oldest friends.

University officials hesitated at releasing names until they could reach family members of the victims, and meanwhile I was left hanging, dreading that a friend's name would be announced on TV. When NIU finally released the victims' names, it turned out that I had never heard of any of them. Many others were not so lucky.

Bilie Johnston, a freshman from Naperville, Ill., has a number of friends at NIU. She also had an angsty-filled Thursday afternoon, not knowing if they were alive and well.

"It hit me really hard because it is right in my own back yard. Not knowing exactly what happened and who were injured or were killed was a feeling that I would never again like to experience. I looked to go to school there and spent a week of the past two summers there for a soccer camp. It just shows how you never know what is going to happen and don't for a minute think that something like that will never happen to you."

Johnston said. The five NIU students killed by University of Illinois graduate student Stephen Kazmierczak came from throughout Illinois and left behind countless family members and friends. An event that gave me a worry-filled February afternoon left a gaping void in many others' lives, because nobody can ever replace Dan Parmenter, Ryanne Mace, Gayle Dobowski, Juliana Gehm, or Catalina Garcia. Much like High Point's recent loss of freshman Kyle Pinheiro, NIU students are now in the grieving process over their lost friend. These students had their lives ripped from them in the midst of youth, and it seems unfair that young, healthy people should die so suddenly, without a chance to say goodbye or tell their families that they were loved.

This tragedy has caused my state great pain and heartache and has made me better appreciate the value and fragility of human life. If this horrible thing can have a positive outcome, it will be that people will appreciate life and let the special people in their lives know that they love them.
Pat Rock entertains students' ears as they entertain their stomachs

By Camara McLaughlin
Staff Writer

"Cause maybe you're gonna be the one that saves me. And after all, you're my wonderwall." These lyrics from Oasis' hit song "Wonderwall" drift over the salad bar, past the French fries and slices of pizza and out the cafeteria doors where you are waiting in line to have your card swiped.

When you hear the song, you know exactly which band, of the several who play during lunch in the cafeteria, it is. It's the two guys who play acoustic guitar and perform those popular songs that you love to sing along to. Nobody cares about the food selection, you know it is going to be a good day in the cafe.

The guys who provide the excellent music and entertain the good day are Patrick Rock, Evan Olson and Tim Lambert. Rock is always a part of the duo in the cafeteria. Olson and Lambert divide the duties.

Rock has been playing here for about three years, or ever since Dr. Qubein became president of the university. He, Olson and Lambert enjoy coming to High Point because they get to play whatever they feel like. "It's just fun," Rock says. Most students would agree that the band's fun equals fun for the listener as well.

While most students do not know the performers' names, they have clearly shown they enjoy their music. When Rock and company are on stage, sight of "O, I love this song," can be heard around the room. Students sing along, sway back and forth to the music and occasionally even upload after a song. Anyone who eats lunch in the cafeteria knows it takes an exceptionally good song to work the appetites of the diners.

Well-known hits from the '90s, classics from the Beatles, Johnny Cash or Tom Petty, covers of some of today's chart-toppers and popular music all are a part of their eclectic repertoire. This wide range of songs combined with acoustic guitar and soothing voices makes a winning combination.

Tara Dyer, a sophomore from Fountain Hills, Ariz., remembers them playing in the cafeteria when she visited the campus. "They're the reason I came," she says, only half jokingly.

These performers hail from different bands. Evan Olson is a member of the band Luke. You can recognize him as the one who sings when they cover Rihanna's "Umbrella." When Tim Lambert, the lead singer of the Greensboro-based band Ultra, comes with Rock, they cover Johnny Cash songs. Rock is currently playing with Ultraviolet, though he is passing that to finish work on his album which will be released this month. Rock likes seeing everything taking place on campus. Of High Point, he says, "I think it is awesome. They do a lot for the student body here. I used to play at a lot of other colleges. All they seemed to be cutting back on stuff for the students, while IPU's giving more to the students."

The students' reactions while Rock and his band mates are playing don't really bother them. "Sometimes it can be a little awkward (playing on stage while everyone realizes). We don't mind being background music," he says. The awkwardness is worth it for Rock when students come up to him during the band's break or after lunch and say, "Thank you guys so much for coming" or "You guys are our favorites."

Gigs and touring have kept Rock and his various bands busy. He plays a lot in the Triad as well as South Carolina, Georgia and Virginia. His popularity continues to grow as Patrick Rock approaches the release of his second album titled "When All Else Fails." It can be found on iTunes under "Patrick Rock." The first CD, "Recovering from Silence" is on iTunes under "The Patrick Rock Band." This semester, "When All Else Fails" will be available to buy off the band during lunch.

Rock will begin touring to promote the new CD in the near future. He will still be coming with his acoustic guitar and a band mate to play your favorite songs while you dine.

Crow speaks to America through new album

By Pam Haynes
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After seeing the music video for Sheryl Crow's latest single, "Love Is Free," I knew that purchasing her new album, Detours, would be more than just a way to pass the time but a way to support a cause that is close to my heart.

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Even so, "Why We Love" is still an interesting and thought-provoking read, but it has its issues. Couples young and old will find this to be an entertaining and informative book. But for serious scholars of anthropology and human sexuality, "Why We Love" misses the mark. Overall, "Why We Love" does a good job of categorizing and explaining the different types of romantic love, even though it comes up short at times.
"Fools Gold" leaves viewers feeling "lhearted"  
By Jessalis Graham  
Staff Writer

Kate Hudson and Matthew McConaughey, lead actors in "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days," are paired up again in director Andy Tennant's "Fools Gold," which earns all 5 stars. This movie promises a wonderful job making its viewers feel as if they are on an island vacation and absolutely immediately setting the mood with cheery island music playing in background scenes and sand, sun and, and a clear blue ocean. The vibrant images, the sound of the waves, and the gentle movement of swaying palm trees cause the audience to dive right into the film.

As quickly as viewers are introduced to the scenes, they meet the characters as well. The audience learns right away that McConaughey's character, Ben Finnegans, should be called "trouble." Instead, he goes by Finn, which he even tells him just as well as. As the film opens, the audience views Finn and his Ukrainian sidekick Alfie, in a car driving along in full scuba gear, searching for artifacts on the ocean floor. The two manage to find a plate remnant from the mysterious lost treasure of an ancient ship called The Aurelia. Meanwhile, their boats catch on fire and commence to explode and sink right behind them, they surface without realizing this important fact. The two even look left and right for before Alfie looks below and makes the connection that the boat sank. Finn manages to retrieve from the wreckage a picture of himself and his beloved Tess, holding hands, character. Soon, after, Bigg Bunny, played by Kevin Hart, the powerful gangster who owns the entire island, is not pleased with Finn's careless loss of the boat and since he cannot pay Bigg Bunny the money he owes him. Bunny's men chain him to an anchor and throw him overboard after he instructs them to tell Tess she loves him and puts up a rather good attempt at fighting off his captors. However, while trying to rescue himself from the middle of the ocean, all the while "Fool's Gold" is played, he begins to fall for Tessa. With Tessa's help, Finn presents Nigel with the romantic story of the mysterious treasure, and they convince him to assist with the hunt. From there the group embarks on a humorous adventure packed with mystery and danger, and along the way a variety of characters discover both treasure and renewed love. The audience cannot help but fall in love with the goofy characters, who are often too oblivious and ignorant of their surroundings for their own good, but intelligent in their own special ways. "Fool's Gold" is filled with humor and leaves them feeling light-hearted and pleased with the movie-going experience.

"No More Heroes" - Wii

Most games on the Wii don't allow you to kill anything, let alone see the fountains of blood pouring from their corpses. No "More Heroes" is one of the most adult and bloody games you will find on Nintendo's console. You play as the Star Wars-loving, Looney Tunes-watching Travis Touchdown as he tries to kill his way to the top and become the number one assassin in the United States.

The boss battles are challenging and engaging, and anyone who enjoys nort-oredient pop culture will love the story. The problem is, those two aspects only add up to about five hours of the ten-hour experience. The rest of the time is spent in the recent GTA style city, Santa Desponia, or parachuting in cruddy mini games. Picking up trash or mowing lawn is not fun. They are called chores for a reason.

The Wii controls are well implemented, but after you slice through your 1,000th generic bad guy, the fun starts to dwindle. If story and style are more important to you than gameplay, you may enjoy "No More Heroes"; for the rest, it will only prove to be boring and annoying.

"Burnout Paradise" - Xbox 360, PS3

"Burnout Paradise" is an open-world, adrenaline-inducing car-crashing, bliss of a racing game that will thrill anyone who picks up a controller. The game's graphics are direct, but the gameplay is a little flawed. While it lacks the atmosphere of a racing game that will thrill anyone who picks up a controller. The game's graphics are direct, but the gameplay is a little flawed.

Final Grade- A+ [Despite one song]

Jordin Sparks—

"This is not a new kind of finesse that isn't found much. Their lyrics are predictable, but there is an occasional surprise. Other adjectives for the album include: ambivalent, ambiguous and flip-flopping.

Final Grade- B

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Former U.S. ambassador says America must reduce dependence on foreign oil

By John Winn
Opinion Editor

Car bombings. Sniper’s nests. Mid-range nuclear weapons. Stateless terror groups. These are the threats that plague American troops, diplomats and Fortune 500 companies in the Middle East.

Where do these elements come from, and how have they contributed to and strengthened the presence of nuclear proliferation from, and how

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The problem, Dunsford said, is that the United States has pursued what he called a ‘rawhide approach’ to the war against Islamic extremism. The policy is aimed at labeling, separating and isolating disparate Muslims, Christian and Jewish groups as either friend or foe, not unlike the policy that the U.S. pursued during the Cold War.

Dunsford’s visit to the university is part of the ongoing President’s seminar on the war on terrorism undertaken by the Department of History. The hosts were Dr. Larry Simpson and Dr. Mark Setzler.

The parking lot by Wilson Hall is especially difficult to get through when students park near the dumpster and on the curb. The parking lot near the complex is equally difficult to get through at times, as both lots already have narrow pathways without cars parked alongside them.

"It’s really frustrating. I’m trying to get around the parking lot and almost hit another car because you either can’t see the car coming because of the cars that are parked in the parking areas or because you have to squeeze your car through," said Abby Ratcliff, a junior living in Wilson Hall.

All day students, with the exception of freshmen males, are allowed to park in any marked spot, unless the spot is marked “Reserved” or “Visitor.” Freshmen males are only allowed to park in spots behind Hayworth Hall of Science, the Chapel, Norton Hall, in the lot by Norcross and in the lower Millis Center lot. This allows the females living on campus to park closer to their residence halls to ensure their safety.

Other students are more concerned about the addition of more parking lots, rather than just changing where students can park. "The school needs more designated spots closer to the dorms and may need to limit the freshmen’s ability to bring cars to campus," said Mike Roux, a sophomore.

Whether there will be a significant number of parking lots added to campus is unknown, but there is some hope available to frustrated parking-spot seekers. Tasha Rorie, an assistant in the campus security office, said, “Whenever you put up new See Parking, pg. 9
Go green! The new recycling program kicked off at the beginning of spring semester, and it's growing. North Carolinians throw away 679 pounds of trash per second and only recycle 68 pounds of material per second. HPU is making efforts to reduce landfill waste, decrease air and water pollution and protect our natural resources.

During the last year, administrators were approached by faculty, students and visitors who wanted to know why there wasn't a recycling program. So, last fall, administrators took a step forward and started up a long-awaited program. "We had tried to start a program, before but it never quite gelled," said Vice President Gart Evans, who guides the project. When the program began, the ongoing committee handed out mugs made of recyclable materials to help raise awareness.

Recycling bins have been placed all across campus--in dorms, offices, apartments, classrooms and academic buildings. There are the short, blue bins and tall bins called "Slim Jims," which are primarily located by vending machines because they're made with a door and making it easier to drop recyclables inside.

The way that the program works is students take their recycling bins to their dorm/apartment laundry rooms, and Budd Services picks up recycling in all buildings twice a week. The best part about the recycling process is you don't have to separate items, but you can put them all in the same bin. Items that can be recycled are: aluminum drink cans, water bottles, soft drink bottles, milk jugs, detergent bottles, magazines, newspapers, cereal boxes, junk mail, pizza boxes and cardboard. Items unacceptable are: aluminum scraps, drinking glasses, light bulbs, wax drink cups/cartons, cut food cans and aluminum foil.

Participants are also putting out bins at big events like games and family weekend.

"I think we're seeing a lot of materials being recycled. It's been well received," Evans said.

So, gather up your acceptable items and head on down to the recycling bin. Also, if you're interested, the recycling program committee meets every Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the conference room in Student Life.

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that 26 high school students sat at the segregated lunch counter in a Woolworth's in Greensboro, North Carolina to protest against segregation. "They were in their community. Mary Andrews Blakeney, one of the original participants on that day, said at the event, "I can remember being allowed to purchase their hot dogs, but not being allowed to eat them at the counter where the white people ate."

Those in attendance gathered around the new Woolworth Sit-in Memorial marker which was covered until the end of the service. After a singing of "We Shall Overcome," the black bops was pulled from the marker by Blakeney and revealed for the first time. The marker reads, "On this site, February 11, 1960, a Woolworth Sit-in demonstration in the first in the U.S. by high school students (26), was held. Led by Reverends B.E. Cox and Fred Shuttlesworth, an 8-year battle against racial and social injustices ensued."

Blakeney explained that it took eight more years of protests similar to this one before African Americans were recognized as equal to white people in the community.

"It was a wonderful feeling to take part in the celebration of such an important event," said Williams. "The Woolworth Sit-ins are such an unknown Black History fact, and I'm pleased that more people are aware of their part in the Civil Rights Movement."

BCA will continue to honor Black History Month by hosting a movie night where "Bamboozled," a film depicting the negative consequences that stem from racial stereotypes, will be shown on Feb. 24 in Lecture Room B of Smith Library. A special celebration will also be held on Feb. 28 at 8:30 p.m. in the Slane Student Center where Blakeney will serve as the guest speaker and the Genesis Gospel Choir will perform.

Ten ways to preserve the planet

By Samantha Hester

A&E Editor

Save that bottle and conserve that water! Here are some tips on how to help save the planet.

1. If you live on campus, don't drive your car to class. This will help you save money on gas; you will be putting out less air pollution and you will get exercise by walking to class. And, no, commuter students, you're not off the hook. If you have two classes on the opposite ends of campus, don't drive from one to the other. The same rules apply to everyone--we need to put out as little car exhaust as possible.

2. Shower speedily and don't waste water. A long, hot shower may be enjoyable to you, but not to the planet or your utility bill.

3. Cut off the water when you're brushing your teeth. We all do it--leave the water running when we aren't even using it while we scrub away at our pearly whites. You can save up to three gallons of water a day by doing this.

4. Unplug your computer at night. Simply turning it off doesn't do the trick. You should turn off your computer at night, and unplug it because it saves power.

5. When at a drive-thru and it's looking like you may be there a while, turn your car engine off. You save more gas by turning off your engine and turning it back on than by letting it run for more than 30 seconds.

6. Use recycled paper for printing and notebooks. This helps save trees and serves the same purpose as un-recycled paper.

7. Make use of our new recycling program. When you're finished with those bottled waters you pick up at the gazebo every morning, throw them in the recycling bin, not the trash can.

8. Organize trips to run errands with friends. This means fewer cars are being used, which means less gas is being used, more oil is being preserved and fewer toxins are filling up our air.

9. Turn out the light when you aren't using it. Use a lamp or light a candle. This saves energy.

10. Save those beer bottles! When throwing the weekend party, have a bin set up for glass beer bottles. Recycled glass reduces air pollution by 20 percent.

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buildings, they do allow spaces around buildings for parking.

So, with the construction of the School of Communication expected to be completed sometime within the 2008-2009 school year, more parking spaces are on their way.

Students who aren't able to park near their residence halls at any time of day or night are reminded they can call campus safety and an officer will take them back to their dorms so they don't have to walk back alone.
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Second memorial service held for Pinheiro; parents in attendance

By Jesse Kiser
Staff Writer

Located below the bronze organ pipes was a large bouquet of pink carnations. Pink was Kylie’s favorite color, and the flowers were a symbol of her presence here with us. On Wednesday, Feb. 13 during the regular service in Hayworth Chapel, Kylie Pinheiro’s life was honored. Her parents were in attendance, as were HPU president Nido Qubein and guest tenor, Richard Heard, Assistant Professor of Music at Wake Forest University. Many students turned out to pay their respects for a beloved friend.

After Dean of the Chapel Harold Warlick’s message, Dr. Qubein took the pulpit. He explained that we are all family at this University, including the Pinheiros, and together we suffer and we smile. He also spoke about choosing a gift from the University to the Pinheiro family. He found something of very little monetary value, he explained, but something with meaning and symbolism. It was an HPU knitted blanket that is given only to donors and very important friends of the University.

Dr. Qubein explained that Kylie enjoyed herself at this place and so the blanket represents the warmth and love that HPU extends to the Pinheiro family. “We need to shower and engulf the family with the love of the university; when a tragedy like this happens we all [here at HPU] feel it,” said Dr. Qubein. He called the service a time of healing and a sign of moving on from the tragedy, but never forgetting Kylie. He said, “It took faith and courage for the family to be here tonight.”

“Faith is not a faith until you share it. I really meant that when I said it. It changes things when you can put faces with names. When you have friends, even strangers that come out to tell us they care like they did tonight, it doubles our joys and cuts in half our burdens,” said Dr. Warlick after the service.

For some the service was upsetting. “For me it wasn’t a time of healing. It just brought back memories and pain for me. I didn’t think I was going to cry but I cried harder than I did at the first memorial,” said hall mate Katie Criniti.

Jenna Roby, another one of Kylie’s hall mates and a close friend, agreed that this was a time of moving on. “I think that the service brought even more attention to something that the girls and guys on our hall face every day. Though it was incredible the number of people who came out to show her family love and support, I think we would all agree we hope we do not have to do it again,” said Roby.

Lauren McGraw, Kylie’s RA and close friend, considered Kylie as one of her girls. She played an important supportive role on her half after Kylie passed. McGraw said, “I think the service was beautiful; it really gave us a time to be with the parents and to show them how much Kylie meant to all of us.” McGraw agreed with Dr. Qubein that the service was a time of healing as well as a time of celebration for Kylie’s life. McGraw also discussed how much Kylie loved her home here at HPU. “I think it was important for the parents to come here and to be in a place that their daughter loved. Kylie was so happy here and it is important for her parents to see how much we care and miss her,” said McGraw.

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C-SPAN bus visits campus

Top left: Nick Mazziotti, freshman, explores the TV production equipment that the C-SPAN bus carries. Bottom left: The C-SPAN bus parks in front of the Slane Student Center. Above: Steve Debony, who has been with C-SPAN’s marketing department for over twenty-seven years, talks with students about the history of the bus. The bus usually travels around the country covering the current Presidential election.

Photos by Pam Haynes
Intramural basketball underway...

Above: Keith McGirt goes up to dunk the ball in the men's intramural basketball league. Right: The co-ed intramural volleyball champion team stands together.

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Sports marketing duo busy behind the scenes

By Scarlett Hester
Staff Writer

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Students fail to realize the amount of work that is done in preparation for sporting events. The women have to determine who is going to sponsor the game, who is singing the National Anthem and who the half-time entertainment is going to be. They have to make sure that the pep band, cheerleaders and dance team all get equal time to entertain the crowd. They create the advertisements for the sponsors and the announcement videos for both teams.

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UP TO SPEED WITH IM SPORTS

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Baseball opens season tonight to host Penn State

By Chris Smith
Staff Writer

There is plenty of optimism in the air around Coy O. Williard Stadium as spring approaches. The baseball team returns all nine position players, a top starting pitcher and the majority of the bullpen from last season.

The key to the Panthers having a very special season will be solid play in the field and the batter’s box, according to head coach Sal Bando Jr. “This should be the best offensive and defensive team we have had in the last seven years,” Bando observes. “The secret to the Colorado Rockies’ success last year was that they had gap hitters that exploited the huge outfield and pitchers that kept the ball on the ground. If you look at our team and our park, that is exactly what we have to do.”

The position players this season are an experienced bunch led by seniors Randy Schwartz, Bill Manion and Chris Newcomb. Manion understands the importance of being a senior leader. He says, “As a senior captain I feel like I need to lead by example. If younger players see the things that I do, they might think that’s how you should do it. I have a huge role in being a leader. I have to pump up the team when they are down and always stay positive.”

The seniors will be joined by juniors Alfie Wheeler, Jeff Cowan, Billy Alvino and Matt Gunner, all of whom have seen playing time since they were freshmen. Sophomore Robby Kuzdale and Pablo Rosario also bring starting experience to the line-up, especially Kuzdale, who spent most of his freshman year batting lead-off.

Senior Randy Schwartz feels that experience will be important this season, saying, “This year the team isn’t as young as it has been in previous years and that is a huge strength. Our starting line-up this year should be very recognizable to people in the stands.”

There were some defections after last season, and the one people should recognize the most is former Everyday Post. He was drafted by the Boston Red Sox last summer and will be spending this season in their minor league system. Last season’s closer Tom Bolenka was selected in the draft by the Pittsburgh Pirates and is on the verge of making it to the majors.

With the Big South Tournament just a few weeks away, the High Point women’s basketball team is focusing and taking every minute of the game seriously. The team currently has an even record of 12-12, but their on-court performance — driven by a number of key freshman contributors — has been much better than their record.

“This year the basketball we’ve played,” Coach Toey Loy said. “We are right where we need to be and we’re getting better and better every day.”

The team recently defeated Radford, 63-54, on Feb. 23. During this game, the women took the lead in the beginning of the game; however, Radford threatened High Point and closed the gap before halftime. Freshman Mackenzie Maier was the lead scorer, with 21 points. Frances Fields, also a freshman on the team, made seven assists during the game as well.

In a Feb. 16 match against Winthrop, the team fought hard against the team that ended their 2006-07 season, LaTashia Dean, another freshman. The High Point players have won five of the last seven BSC Freshman of the Week honors, and three of the last four have come from Maier. This year’s team is a fresh new team with freshmen gaining a lot of serious attention. The team is excited, and looking to put up a great fight in the tournament.

“We’re playing well and we’re better this year,” Coach Loy said. “We’re looking forward to the upcoming games.”

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Raising the Bar: Fans break rules, disgracing university

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The women, of the Carolina Women's Lacrosse League, played host to North Carolina on Feb. 17. For the second of three straight home matches against ACC opponents, the team will take on Wake Forest at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 24.

The team took the Tar Heels into halftime trailing just 6-4, but couldn't hold on, eventually falling 11-4.

Since the inaugural 2007 season, the teams have seen their share of success and trials. The women have 29 players on their roster, while the men have just 20-16 of freshmen or sophomores.

The men are led by team captains Hans Hodvill and Jake Villwock. Davis points to them to lead his team this season.

"Conditioning has been stepped up starting with the new semester to prepare for our eleven game spring schedule. Since we have a number of players that have been fighting fitness injury and illness, all of our players are key players," Davis said.

According to Shollenberger, her team has put in considerable effort in the offseason to get to the level they are at.

"My athletes put in a great deal of time in the offseason. In the fall, we prepared by going to two tournaments to get more game experience as well as continuing to practice two days a week. However, I also held my girls accountable to working out on their own time, which included many running workouts as well as lifting. Our field lights weren't available eight at the start of the spring season so we used that practice time to do group workouts as well, which included swimming, Pilates and running. I am very proud of my girls; most have been able to show improvement in athletic conditionin, even by shaving 30 seconds to 1 minute off of their mile times," Shollenberger said.

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